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For: CONNECTING ELEMENT FOR A
MECHANICALLY AND ELECTRICALLY
CONDUCTIVE CONNECTION

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This is in response to the non-final Office Action dated February 8, 2006 (Paper No. 20060203). Reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims, as amended, in light of the remarks presented herein are respectfully requested.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 7 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 10 of this paper.